

# WORKSHEET: UNDERSTAND THE VALUE OF A PROJECT

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## **YOUR CURRENT UNDERSTANDING**

Given what you know today, how do you perceive the value of this project? What will happen (or be possible) once this project is finished. Another way to ask this question is what are the consequences of this project?

## **VALIDATE YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

One of the most common problems on a project is that different individuals have different notions of why a specific project is happening at all. As a result, they come to the project with conflicting expectations. Sometimes these do not surface until we are deep into the requirements or even the implementation of the solution. How you can validate your understanding is shared amongst your peers and the decision-makers within the organization.

Consider three people you can ask questions to confirm your understanding. Try to select people from multiple departments and levels within the organization. Craft your plan here.

## UPDATE YOUR VALUE STATEMENTS

As you learn more from other individuals, update your own value statement. This can take the form of a vision document or problem statement.

## WHAT DID YOU LEARN?

Consider what you learned from this experience. Were their diverging opinions amongst stakeholders? Were they in conflict or merely emphasizing different aspects of the project? Are you confident there is now a shared understanding of value or are there disconnects to be resolved?